

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract of the Invention with the following new Abstract:

--An information processing apparatus ~~that~~ searches for documents with access rights created for them—added. A file information obtaining section obtains predetermined information from a file. A right information obtaining section obtains right information indicating a user who can access a file. An index storing section stores an index in which information obtained by the file information obtaining section is associated with right information obtained by the right information obtaining section. A keyword inputting section accepts keyword input for searching for a file. A user specifying section specifies a user who inputted a keyword. A search query generating section generates a search query from a keyword input from the keyword inputting section and information indicating a user specified by the user specifying section. A searching section searches the index storing section for an index corresponding to a search query generated by the search query generating section.--